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Prohibition propaganda before toddy shops.

* 336 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state whether the Government propose to take any steps to carry on prohibition propaganda before the toddy sales are completed, and if not, why not?

A.—The propaganda will begin as soon as the District Committees make the necessary arrangements for it.

Removal of a certain toddy shop in Purasawakam.

* 337 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a meeting of ladies in Purasawakam held on 20th July 1929 at Purasawakam has asked the Government for the removal of a toddy shop in Purasawakam where the Miller Road meets it;

(*b*) whether he proposes to take action on the same; and

(*c*) if not, why not?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The Government have called for a report.

Medical

Alleged complaint by a private practitioner against the Civil Surgeon, Cochin.

* 338 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Surgeon-General received in 1928 any report from a private medical practitioner, Cochin, complaining about the tactics employed by the Civil Surgeon of the place with a view to oust him from his spheres of practice on both land and sea and to usurp that practice for himself; and

(*b*) what action, if any, has been taken by him with regard to the complaint to avoid unnecessary conflict between Government and private medical practitioners?

A.—(*a*) Yes, a complaint was received from a private medical practitioner in which he made certain allegations against the Civil Surgeon.

(*b*) The Civil Surgeon and the private medical practitioner were advised to settle the matter amicably by mutual arrangement.

Report of the Committee on Medical Education.

* 339 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to lay on the table of the House the reports submitted by the Committee appointed to consider the subject of medical education?

A.—In due course.